

DRAFT VERSION FOR INITIAL REVIEW
Workgroup Meeting Summary-Halibut
Pribilof Islands Collaborative
July 30, 2004 1:30PM Alaska time

Present: Lisa Butzner, Evie Witten, Art Nelson, Larry Prokopriof, Larry Cotter, Ed Luttrell, Heather McCarty, Paul MacGregor, Karen Pletnikoff, Claire LeClair.

Agenda:

1. Review/approve revised problem statement, including goals (there were a few changes suggested at the last meeting)
2. Preparation for August meeting (Meg has asked that each workgroup think about the following two items:)
 - what does the workgroup want to communicate to the larger group, who and how will that information be presented?
 - are there materials or equipment that would be needed for a workgroup presentation
3. Review revised "Halibut Workgroup Notes" or at least review questions raised by full group that are contained in those notes and which Heather was revising

Action items highlighted in yellow

Summary:

1. Review/approve revised problem statement, including goals
 - Still need to add fourth bullet under "Speculation" section: "Harvest levels and quotas for directed halibut fishery may be greater than can be sustained in Area 4C."
 - Question concerning how the fourth goal pertaining to the PIC supporting CBSFA's proposal to NPFMC to allow 4C CDQ and IFQ fishermen to harvest their quota in 4D would be viewed by area 4D IFQ fishermen—would they be unhappy to have more competition in their area?
 - Area 4 is considered as one stock by IPHC and fishing in area 4D is "pretty good";
 - There is still 4D quota for sale; also, same concept was applied to 4E, allowing the boundary to be permeable in one direction for 4E fishermen and 4D fishermen were quiet on that action;
 - One more change suggested: under "Status of Action", third line in parenthesis after "temperature changes" add "and removal in directed fishery";
 - There was consensus on these two changes to the Revised "Strawman Problem/Goal Statement: Halibut Abundance."
2. Preparation for August meeting
 - Larry and Phillip will include the following in a presentation to PIC at the August meeting on behalf of the Halibut Workgroup:
 1. Update on how halibut fishery going so far this season;
 2. Review of Strawman Problem/Goal Statement and changes made by workgroup;
 3. Review revised Halibut Workgroup Notes;

4. Discuss with larger group how Halibut Workgroup should proceed with the goals as agreed upon.
 - Suggestion to make Astrid's digest and the revised Strawman Problem/Goal Statement part of the August meeting packet.
3. Revised Halibut Workgroup Notes
 - Paul MacGregor made some suggested changes to the notes, mostly on page two, these were discussed and approved by the workgroup;
 - Suggestion to change heading "Draft Biological Research Needs" to "Biological research and Data Needs"; note that this list then needs to be separated in terms of what is a data mine project and what is an actual research project need;
 - Suggestion to remove last two words from heading "Draft Economic Data and Research Needs/Goals/Concerns";
 - Remove redundancy between "Strawman Problem/Goal Statement" and "Halibut Workgroup Notes";
 - Karen requests, again, that group take up keeping shorts in the Area 4C subsistence fishery;
 - Larry will take lead to put "Strawman" and "Halibut Workgroup Notes" together for August meeting and will also make a powerpoint presentation.